

**REMARKS**

Claims 1-35, 37, 38, and 40-44 are now pending in this application. Claims 36 and 39 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. Claim 37 has been amended to include the subject matter of cancelled independent claim 36. Claim 40 has been amended to correct dependency. No new matter has been added.

Claims 36 and 39 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) over U.S. Patent No. 6,485,529 to Javet et al. for the reasons set forth on page 2 of the Office Action. Without acquiescing to the rejection, but to advance prosecution, Applicant has cancelled claims 36 and 39. Accordingly, the rejection is now moot.

The Examiner also indicated on page 3 of the Office Action that claims 1-35 and 42-44 are allowed, and then claims 37, 38, 40, and 41 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form. Based on the amendments made to claims 37 and 40 herein, all the pending claims should now be in condition for immediate allowance.

Thus, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and reexamination of this application and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

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